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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director (Support)
THROUGH: Deputy Director (Intelligence)
SUBJECT: Soviet Civil Defense and Air-Raid
 Shelter Construction

1. It has been brought to my attention that you have received an inquiry from the Bureau of the Budget regarding the validity of the CIA report entitled "Soviet Civil Defense and Air-Raid Shelter Construction," issued on 14 March 1958. A copy of this report is enclosed.

2. As a result of differences of opinion at NSC level on the subject of Soviet shelter construction, the intelligence community, at our initiative, recently intensified its effort to obtain current information of Soviet activities in this field. There was widespread response to this effort and all new information was considered by this Office in the preparation of the report noted above.

3. The summary and the conclusions of the report were carefully reviewed by the Economic Intelligence Committee of the IAC, and the representatives of the Departments of State, Army, Navy, Air Force, and the Joint Staff (JCS) concurred in the general conclusions. One hundred copies of the report were forwarded to the Secretariat of the NSC for appropriate distribution. Other selected distribution has also been made. In briefing the NSC, the Director noted that the intelligence community concurred in the conclusions of the report.

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